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Lake Okeechobee, 16.4 feet.

W. P. B. Canal, same level.

\$2.50 A YEAR

MUCK LAND FAIR OPENS AT BELLE GLADE WEDNESDAY

CELOTEX MIXED IN AFFAIRS OF SOUTHERN SUGAR

Parent Company Stockholders Say They Are Deprived of Their Dividends

QUESTION ACCURACY OF RECEIVER'S FORECASTS

Production of Sugar Does Not Come Up To What Salesmen Promised

STOCKHOLDERS

Statement by P. G. Baldwin, representative of the C. E. O. of the Celotex Company, printed in Literary Digest of March 7, that with the removal of cane investors in ownership, "the company will have a net profit of \$1,000,000 from this year's crop" is disputed in several letters received at the office of the Everglades News. Some of them find no evidence of stockholders in the Celotex Company.

One of the writers says the note was the result of the alleged mis-statements made to induce stockholders and creditors to advance money on receiver's certificates.

Another writes: "This is only a guess, but I am sure it is correct, that the Celotex stockholders who are not associated with Dahlberg's action in diversifying their investments of Celotex profits to the Dahlberg sugar products."

The writers overlook Mr. Baldwin's statement—written by stockholders in operation." His explanation can properly be that the shareholders were not in operation; they were in only partial operation.

Several calculations have been sent in to prove that the 30-31 overstatement of the Southern Sugar Company cannot be proved.

The receiver reports that in a period ending January 1, 1931, there were grown 8,837 tons of cane and 3,034 bags of sugar produced, bags 325 pounds. 304x325 equals 10,120 tons of cane, or 501 tons of sugar from 8,837 tons of cane, about 6 per cent of sugar.

"In a 9-day period the Clewiston plant processed 15,293 tons of cane and made 23,316 tons of sugar, or 7 per cent."

"We were told in advance of a certain 12 per cent of sugar and 60 tons of cane that there were."

"Special Master Stubbs in a report to Judge Whithurst for a certain period of operation, reports a sugar yield of 28 per cent of sugar."

"Molasses, weight about 12,000 tons, was produced. The Clewiston operation shows twice as much molasses production as Cuban, Quay. Why does not the molasses go to Cuban?"

These quoted extracts from letters are characteristic of the volume of correspondence.

The questions seem to be mostly so much with the yield of can to produce or the yield of sugar from the Clewiston mill as with the representation that sugar had been made by Dahlberg's stockholders and by the receiver to the court, which is charged, are not borne out by the facts.

Belief is expressed in many letters that the Everglades soil and climate are adapted to the production sugar but that the management of the Southern Sugar Company has been bad or its capacity for efficient administration was misrepresented.

NURSERY PRICES GIVEN ON BAMBOO

Bamboo of a kind that is suitable for windbreaks is to be bought from an established and reputable nursery. It is \$1.50 per plant for cane divisions. This price is for Bambusa, nana such as artemis strata or Alphonse Karr. It is a cane that is easily propagated and divide them up so small as single cane divisions, and it is recommended that small clumps of three or four canes be used.

The checks, made at four separate points on the road, gave the following information about the trees:

West-Mile Bend: 20,173 east-bound cars, 19,664 west-bound, total, 39,837.
St. Lucie canal crossing: 24,511 east-bound cars, 25,163 south-bound, total, 59,678.

Port Mayaca line: 13,423 east-bound, 10,115 south-bound, total, 23,538.

Taylor's Creek: 10,255 east-bound, 10,582 west-bound, total, 20,837.

PAY PARAHOE TAXES

A few days remain in which taxes can be paid on property in the Town of Palmetto, as the books do not close until April. After that date a penalty attaches.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE DRAINAGE SYSTEM

An article with the heading "Step In Here" in the Florida Everglades" is printed in the pages of the Christian Science Monitor of March 13, illustrated with a foreground drawing.

Most of the matter in that article is excerpts from George B. Hills' article in the Florida Everglades, "The Everglades," which The Everglades News is reprinting.

The article interprets the work of the U. S. dredge Sarasota in the Everglades. After actual construction on the federal reclamation project, the article will be to cause confusion among those who do not know that the article is inaccurate in its applications.

\$100,000 PAID TO DIKE WORK FUND

Okeechobee District Transfers Cash To Meet Federal Share

For an additional amount of \$100,000 by the Okeechobee water control district to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers this night, \$50,000 having been paid last January, and with \$60,000 more to be paid, the total amount of the initial state of the \$900,000 flood control project for Lake Okeechobee is well under way, according to E. W. Braden, engineer and executive secretary of Okeechobee flood control board.

Seeking information as to details of the work and the results in which and how much will be expended on the Everglades News wired an inquiry to County Agent James C. Clegg, West Palm Beach, and received this reply Tuesday:

"I am sorry to wire of March 23, 1931, sending you a copy of letter I received from Mr. Spencer, as to what you may see is entirely devoid of any information to the contrary."

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LOANS FOR SEED TO BE MADE HERE AGAIN NEXT FALL

Agricultural Agents Get Information From Washington Office

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO ACT IN GLADES

Details Lacking and More Data Is Sought As To Qualifications

See Effectiveness of Sunflowers in Fields on West Side of Lake

The Glades And Its Affairs

SUGAR CANES USED TO WARD OFF WINDS

After inspecting an area of wind-breaks in the Lake region and getting prices from nurseries and lumber yards, Mr. W. F. Bichmann of Canal Point, a consulting engineer, has hit on a deal by which he expects to get all of the benefits possible from cane growth and yet avoid the difficulty of cutting.

From the U. S. Department of Agriculture's cane breeding station at Canal Point, he obtained a quantity of cane seedlings which he has planted on the farms of his farm property.

It will probably take the entire year to get the cane to maturity, but the results will be two fold, he said.

Seeking information as to details of the work and the results in which and how much will be expended on the Everglades News, I went Saturday to Howard Shultz, the editor, on a motor trip to get from him information on the subject.

He said: "I am not in a position to give you a definite answer, but I am sure that the work will be done in a very well manner, according to the best knowledge of the men who are working on the project."

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WIND BREAK BEST AS A METHOD OF BEAN PROTECTION

No Use Saving From Frost If Yield Reduced and Quality Lowered

BUCHANAN LOOKS AT ALL LAKE DISTRICTS

See Effectiveness of Sunflowers in Fields on West Side of Lake

The Glades And Its Affairs

SHIPMENTS

DAY-BY-DAY MOVEMENT

THURSDAY, 19TH

South Bay—1 car peans.

Belle Harbor—1 car beans, 1 car

cabbage.

Lake Harbor—1 car beans, 1 car

mixed vegetables.

Okeechobee—2 car cabbages.

Canal Point—1 car cabbages.

TOTAL, 21 cars.

873 packages by express.

FRIDAY, 20TH

South Bay—1 car beans, 2 mixed

vegetables.

Belle Glade—4 car cabbages, 1

carrots, 2 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 car cabbages.

TOTAL, 23 cars.

Lake Harbor—1 car mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—3 car cabbages, 3

carrots, 2 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 car cabbages.

TOTAL, 11 cars.

SUNDAY, 22ND

Belle Glade—2 car cabbages.

Canal Point—1 car cabbages.

TOTAL, 3 cars.

100 packages by express.

TUESDAY, 24TH

Lake Harbor—1 mixed vegetables.

South Bay—1 beans.

Belle Glade—5 cabbages, 3 beans,

2 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 beans.

TOTAL, 15 packages.

Lake Worth—1 potatoes, 1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—3 cabbages, 1 carrots.

TOTAL, 16 packages.

Sunday—1 cabbages.

MONDAY, 23RD

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 cabbages.

TOTAL, 2 packages.

Lake Worth—1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—2 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

SUNDAY, 1 CABBAGE.

MONDAY, 2 CABBAGES.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

Lake Worth—1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

FRIDAY, 27TH

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 2 packages.

Lake Worth—1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

SUNDAY, 29TH

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 2 packages.

Lake Worth—1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

MONDAY, 30TH

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 2 packages.

Lake Worth—1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

FRIDAY, 31ST

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 2 packages.

Lake Worth—1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

SUNDAY, 1 APRIL

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 2 packages.

Lake Worth—1 mixed vegetables.

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL, 3 packages.

MONDAY, 2 APRIL

Belle Glade—1 mixed vegetables.

Canal Point—1 mixed vegetables.

TOTAL

